

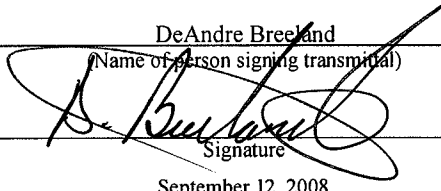
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Masahiko Sato, et al.  
Serial No. : 10/047,502  
For : INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS AND FEE  
CHARGING METHOD THEREOF  
Filed : November 13, 2001  
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**RESPONSE SUBMITTED WITH  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 11, 2008, having a three-month shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on October 13, 2008 (October 11, 2008 being a Saturday), Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Applicants submit a payment in the amount of \$810.00 as payment of the RCE fee. Please amend the

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above-identified application as follows. Applicants also submit this response within the two month date of September 11, 2008.

**Amendments to Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 15 of this paper.